



**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Patent Application of: Brian A. Leete, et al. Serial No. 10/726,363 Filed: December 2, 2003 For: APPARATUS FOR PERIOD PROMOTION AVOIDANCE FOR HUBS	Examiner: Chun Kuan Lee Art Unit: 2181
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 25, 2006, regarding the above-referenced application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment set forth below and consideration of the remarks that follow.